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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration,  
Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: On March 3, 2014, the Department of Commerce ("Department") initiated the first five-year ("sunset") review of the antidumping duty order on certain steel threaded rod from the People's Republic of China ("PRC") pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("Act").<sup>1</sup> On the basis of a notice of intent to participate and an adequate substantive response filed on behalf of the domestic interested parties, as well as a lack of response from respondent interested parties, the Department conducted an expedited sunset review of the antidumping duty order, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2). As a result of this sunset review, the Department finds that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels indicated in the "Final Results of Review" section of this notice.

DATES: EFFECTIVE DATE: (INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*.)

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<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Review*, 79 FR 11762 (March 3, 2014) ("*Initiation Notice*"); see also *Notice of Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China*, 74 FR 17154 (April 14, 2009) ("*Order*").

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Background

On March 3, 2014, the Department initiated the first sunset review of the antidumping duty order on certain steel threaded rod from the PRC, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(c)(1).<sup>2</sup> The Department received a notice of intent to participate from All America Threaded Products, Inc.; Bay Standard Manufacturing, Inc.; and Vulcan Threaded Products, Inc. (collectively, “domestic interested parties”) within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).<sup>3</sup> The domestic interested parties claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act, as manufacturers of a domestic like product in the United States.

We received a complete substantive response from the domestic interested parties within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).<sup>4</sup> We received no responses from respondent interested parties. As a result, the Department conducted an expedited sunset review of the *Order*, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2).

### Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the *Order* is steel threaded rod. Steel threaded rod is certain threaded rod, bar, or studs, of carbon quality steel, having a solid, circular cross section, of any diameter, in any straight length, that have been forged, turned, cold-drawn, cold-rolled, machine straightened, or otherwise cold-finished, and into which threaded grooves have been applied. In addition, the steel threaded rod, bar, or studs subject to the order are non-headed and threaded along greater than 25 percent of their total length. A variety of finishes or coatings, such as plain oil finish as a temporary rust protectant, zinc coating (*i.e.*, galvanized, whether by electroplating

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<sup>2</sup> See *Initiation Notice*.

<sup>3</sup> See Letter from the domestic interested parties, dated March 12, 2014.

<sup>4</sup> See Substantive Response of the domestic interested parties, dated April 1, 2014.

or hot-dipping), paint, and other similar finishes and coatings, may be applied to the merchandise.

Included in the scope of the *Order* are steel threaded rod, bar, or studs, in which: (1) iron predominates, by weight, over each of the other contained elements; (2) the carbon content is 2 percent or less, by weight; and (3) none of the elements listed below exceeds the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated:

- 1.80 percent of manganese, or
- 1.50 percent of silicon, or
- 1.00 percent of copper, or
- 0.50 percent of aluminum, or
- 1.25 percent of chromium, or
- 0.30 percent of cobalt, or
- 0.40 percent of lead, or
- 1.25 percent of nickel, or
- 0.30 percent of tungsten, or
- 0.012 percent of boron, or
- 0.10 percent of molybdenum, or
- 0.10 percent of niobium, or
- 0.41 percent of titanium, or
- 0.15 percent of vanadium, or
- 0.15 percent of zirconium.

Steel threaded rod is currently classifiable under subheading 7318.15.5051, 7318.15.5056, 7318.15.5090, and 7318.15.2095 of the United States Harmonized Tariff Schedule

(“HTSUS”). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

Excluded from the scope of the *Order* are: (a) threaded rod, bar, or studs which are threaded only on one or both ends and the threading covers 25 percent or less of the total length; and (b) threaded rod, bar, or studs made to American Society for Testing and Materials (“ASTM”) A193 Grade B7, ASTM A193 Grade B7M, ASTM A193 Grade B16, or ASTM A320 Grade L7.

#### Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in this review are addressed in the “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People’s Republic of China” (“Issues and Decision Memorandum”) from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, to Ronald K. Lorentzen, Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, dated concurrently with and hereby adopted by this notice. The issues discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum include the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail if the order was to be revoked. Parties may find a complete discussion of all issues raised in the review and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum which is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Services System (“IA ACCESS”). Access to IA ACCESS is available in the Central Records Unit room 7046 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Web at <http://trade.gov/enforcement>. The signed Issues and Decision

Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Final Results of Review

We determine that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping, with the following dumping margin magnitudes likely to prevail:

<b>Exporter</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Margin</b>
RMB Fasteners Ltd., and IFI & Morgan Ltd. (“RMB/IFI Group”)	47.37%
Ningbo Yinzhou Foreign Trade Co. Ltd.	206.00%
Non-examined exporters with a separate rate	55.16%
PRC-wide Entity	206.00%

Notice Regarding Administrative Protective Order (“APO”)

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (“APO”) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

This sunset review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: June 18, 2014.

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Ronald K. Lorentzen,  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
for Enforcement and Compliance.

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